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SUBJECT: COOPERATION AGAINST TERRORISM

FOR AMBASSADOR

1. AS YOU WILL RECOGNIZE, OUR EFFORTS IN NEW YORK, ABLY
SUPPORTED BY GOI MISSION, TO OBTAIN ACCEPTABLE UN ANTI-
HIJACKING RESOLUTION HAVE DELAYED OUR RESPONSE TO
KHALATBARY'S IDEA OF AN OPEN-ENDED ANTI-TERRORIST DOCU-
MENT TO BE SIGNED BY LIKE-MINDED GOVERNMENTS IN WHICH
TERRORISM WOULD BE DEFINED AS A CRIME, ASYLUM WOULD BE
DENIED TO ALL TERRORISTS, AND SIGNATORIES WOULD UNDERTAKE
TO REFUSE TO NEGOTIATE WITH TERRORISTS. PLEASE CONVEY

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OUR REGRETS TO KHALATBARY AND EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION
FOR HIS THOUGHTFUL PROPOSALS WHICH INDEED REFLECT
THE NECESSITY TO TAKE ADDITIONAL STEPS TO DEAL WITH
THIS INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM.

2. IN WAKE OF REASONABLY SUCCESSFUL UN OUTCOME (E.G.,
AVOIDING ANY "NATIONAL LIBERATION" EXCEPTION) WE BELIEVE

EFFORTS OF LIKE-MINDED GOVERNMENTS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO ACHIEVING PRACTICAL RESULTS, NOTABLY WITH RESPECT TO INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AIR SAFETY STANDARDS THROUGH ICAO, AND WE HOPE UN RESOLUTION WILL STIMULATE FURTHER

ACCESSIONS TO HAGUE AND MONTREAL CONVENTIONS. IN ADDITION, WE SEE CONTINUING UTILITY OF INFORMAL EXCHANGES AMONG GOVERNMENTS SEEKING COOPERATION AGAINST INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM, E.G., INTELLIGENCE SHARING AND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.

3. IN ADDITION TO EXPRESSING TO KHALATBARY OUR REGRETS RE DELAY IN RESPONSE, YOU SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT WE IN GENERAL SUPPORT HIS CONCEPT BECAUSE IT WILL FOCUS FURTHER ATTENTION ON THE TERRORIST PROBLEM. AS HE RECOGNIZES, HOWEVER, NEGOTIATING A GENERALIZED SET OF PRINCIPLES WILL BE DIFFICULT AND TIME CONSUMING. IN ANY EVENT, WE WOULD NOT WISH PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT TO DIVERT ATTENTION AT THIS TIME FROM KIND OF ACTIONS MENTIONED IN PARA TWO. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ON REACTIONS OF OTHER AMBASSADORS WHO HAVE BEEN APPROACHED.

4. WE ASSUME KHALATBARY WILL ACCOMPANY HIM ON VISIT. SCHEDULE IS CROWDED, BUT, IF YOU BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL, YOU CAN TELL KHALATBARY THAT WE WILL, IF HE
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WISHES, SCHEDULE A MEETING AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL IN DEPARTMENT FOR GENERAL DISCUSSION OF SUBJECT. PLEASE ADVISE. VANCE

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